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TAGS: PFOR, CG, RW, US

SUBJECT: GOZ ALLEGATIONS US COUP INVOLVEMENT

1. ZAIRE EMBASSY INITIATIVE - EMB RECEIVED MORNING JULY 21 MIMEO COPY "BULLETIME D'INFORMATION NO. 1" DATED JULY 5 FROM "MOUVEMENT POPULAIRE DE LA REVOLUTION" LOCATED AT ZAIRE EMBASSY KIGALI. BULLETIME COVER CONTAINS MUBUTO QUOTE CONCERNING VULNERABILITY ZAIRE TO "INTERNATIONAL VULTURES" IN VIEW ITS SURFACE AND SUB-SURFACE WEALTH. SOLE ATTACHMENT CONSISTS OF REPRINT SCURIOUS ELIMA SPECIAL EDITION OF 15-16 JUNE ON USG ROLE IN ALLEGED COUP ATTEMPT ZAIRE.

2. AMB RAISED MATTER WITH GOZ AMB JULY 21 AT EVENING RECEPTION NOTING SURPRISE AND BELIEF USG-GOZ CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN EFFORT IMPROVE RELATIONS. CIRCULATION OUTDATED ELIMA ARTICLE THUS SEEMED BACKWARD STEP. GOZ AMB STATED "INFORMATION BULLETIME" INTENDED ONLY PROVIDE AUTHORITATIVE RESPONSE TO "STREET RUMORS" THAT NO PLOT EXISTED OR THAT GOZ HAD REACTED IN EXCEPTIONAL MANNER. ADDITIONAL ISSUES WOULD BE FORTHCOMING (BULLETIME NO. 2 ARRIVED MORNING JULY 22 CONTAINING MOBUTU LTR TO ELIMA OF JUNE 16.)

3. EMB WOULD NORMALLY RAISE MATTER WITH GOR FON OFF IN CONTEXT EFFORT BY ONE RESIDENT EMB CIRCULATE HOSTILE PROPAGANDA  
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AGAINST ANOTHER. HOWEVER, WE UNCLEAR CURRENT STATE PLAY

USG-GOZ RELATIONS -- PARTICULARLY WHETHER SITUATION ON  
VERGE IMPROVEMENT. I THUS HESITATE INITIATE CONFRONTATION  
SHOULD USG-GOZ DISCUSSIONS BE AT DELICATE STAGE.

4. GOZ OFFICIAL PAPER - RWANDA OFFICIAL BI-MONTHLY "CARREFOUR  
D'AFRIQUE" IN ITS JULY 5 EDITION CARRIED COMPOSITE ARTICLE  
CALLED "QESTION POINT" WHICH REVIEWED ALLEGATION CIA  
ASSASSINATIONS WORLDWIDE AND KINSHASA PLOT. ARTICLE CONCLUDED  
WITH COMMENT "THE DEPT STATE HAS DENIED THE ELIMA  
INFORMATION, BUT WHEN REVELATIONS OF CIA ACTIVITIES ARE THE  
ORDER OF THE DAY AND ADMITTEDLY APPROVED WITHIN THE WHITE  
HOUSE, IN WHOM WILL WE BELIEVE - ELIMA OR THE STATE DEPT?"  
AMB ACCORDINGLY PROTESTED ORALLY ON OBVIOUS GROUNDS TO FONMIN  
SECGEN (AND ACTING FONMIN) NGARUKINTWALI JULY 15. ACTING  
FONMIN) APOLOGIZED, NOTED HE HAD NOT SEEN ARTICLE AND THAT  
IT CERTAINLY DID NOT RPT NOT REPRESENT GOR POLICY VIEW. HE  
UNDERTOOK CONVEY GOR OPINION TO DIRGEN INFO. AMB ALSO  
SHOWED ACTING FONMIN ADVANCE COPY LTR FROM AMB TO DIRGEN INFO  
(BASED ON USG PRESS GUIDANCE AND STATEMENTS). AMB SUBSEQUENTLY  
PRESENTED LETTER AND DISCUSSED ARTICLE WITH DIRGEN INFO JULY 21  
WHO EXPRESSED SIMILAR APOLIGIES, NOTED ACTING FONMIN HAD BEEN  
IN TOUCH WITH HIM AND THAT "FAULT" LAY WITH POOR QUALITY AND  
INEXPERIENCE HIS STAFF.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE ON WHETHER EMB SHOULD REACT  
OFFICIALLY TO ZAIRE EMBASSY BULLETIN. (STATE 164792 ON  
STATUS US-ZAIRE RELATIONS JUST RECEIVED). FRITTS

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